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WHAT HOME FOLKS DO AND SAY

Local People and Events Briefly Mentioned and Other Matters of General Interest

Two rooms for rent. Inquire at this office.

See the new line of Velie vehicles at Moberly's.

Admission 35c to the Brookfield fair. No extras.

Meadville Chautauqua August 19 to 26, inclusive.

For the best flour and mill feed of all kinds, phone or call at Laclede Mills.

C. C. Moberly's new buggies arrived yesterday morning. Call and see them.

Read what Gardner, the Brookfield photographer, has to say about his big cut in prices.

The Royal Neighbors will serve ice cream in the park next Saturday afternoon, July 29.

We can't keep "Busy Bee" bread. It sells. Everybody wants it. Carothers & Allen.

Chas. Mahurin of route one returned home Monday from spending a month at Wheeling.

Brookfield fair is the first in the circuit this year and for that reason every race will have large entries.

Miss Elizabeth Patrick of Chillicothe was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Patrick the first of the week.

Miss Mabel Forman of Linneus was the guest of her cousin, Frances Denbo, from Friday to Sunday.

Thousands of dollars given in purses at the Brookfield Fair. More horses, and better horses, than ever before.

The Burlington will run a special train east from the Brookfield Fair on Big Thursday, returning from there at 9:30 p. m.

The best painters in town use the only strictly pure paint—Mound City Co.'s Horse Shoe brand. J. B. Patrick.

Laclede Mills will receive 3,000 bushels of ear corn this week and next. If you want corn from the car, call phone No. 87.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Clark of Brookfield, enroute to California, visited her brother, J. W. Biswell, between trains Tuesday.

A. Middleton, the Forker merchant, was in Laclede on business Tuesday and ordered a supply of stationery from this office.

E. C. Jetta, manager of the American Press association's Kansas City branch, was a pleasant caller at this office Wednesday.

F. W. Keune and family of Elmer have spent this week with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Keune, and family on route two.

Miss Gladys Mitchell of Sumner, on her way home from a visit with relatives at Lincoln, Neb., spent Monday afternoon with Miss Laura Love.

Dr. J. H. Kittredge, dentist, of Chillicothe will be at the Anderson house the 25th and 26th of each month and stay until all work is finished.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Wroe of route one were called to Illinois Monday by a telegram announcing the death of their sister-in-law, Mrs. A. G. Wroe.

On Wednesday afternoon, at 4 o'clock, a boys' riding contest will be pulled off. Boys under 15, jockeys barred. Moneys \$5.00, \$3.00 and \$1.00. Brookfield Fair.

State House and Court House

Two very important questions are to be decided next Tuesday, August 1. One is whether or not a new state capitol shall be built at Jefferson City to take the place of the one that burned last year. As planned, it will cost \$3,500,000, and will be paid for by taxation through an issue of bonds to run thirteen years. The tax will fall very lightly on the average taxpayer and at the same time will furnish sufficient money to build and equip a building worthy of the state.

The other question to be decided is whether a new court house, to cost \$60,000, shall be built at Linneus to take the place of the present inadequate and unsafe structure. This affects the people of Linn county more than the other proposition, since the county records are not and cannot be put in a safe place unless a new and larger building with commodious vaults shall be erected. The county also has to rent a building in which circuit court is held.

Everybody agrees that a new and better building is needed, and needed at once. The question has been before the voters several times, but always with another similar proposition attached. A new building will not be needed at Brookfield for several years, if at all. By that time it may be possible to hold all terms of the circuit court in Linneus. That is a question for the future. The important point is that the records of title to every piece of land in the county are in an unsafe place. Even the marriage records are liable to be destroyed at any time by fire or a storm.

The matter is too important to pass over without voting on, and every voter in the county, especially every land-owner, should give it careful consideration and then vote as he thinks for the best interest of the county and of himself. If the proposition carries, the new building will be paid for by a levy of 20 cents on each \$100 valuation of the county, which tax will run three years.

Poison in the Coffee

The latter part of last week the family of A. F. Ferris, until a few months ago residents of Brookfield but since then living on a farm southeast of Meadville, was severely poisoned through the drinking of coffee warmed over for breakfast. The beverage was made new the night before and then allowed to stand over night out in the summer kitchen, and the family now believe that some unknown enemy took advantage of the darkness to put poison into the coffee pot.

Next morning eight of the ten members of the household drank coffee, and every one of these was attacked with symptoms of poisoning, while the remaining two suffered no harm. Saturday one child, Oscar, died and was brought to Brookfield for burial, the funeral services being conducted by Rev. Ben F. Hill at the Baptist church. Monday one of the girls, Effie, also died, but the others seems to be out of danger.—Budget.

Brookfield Fair Aug. 1-2-3-4.

Sunday Concert

A sacred concert will be given in the park Sunday afternoon, July 30, by the Laclede Concert Band. A nice, appropriate program has been arranged and everyone is invited to come and enjoy it.

TOWN AND COUNTRY IN BRIEF

Local Events of The Past Week Recorded For Busy Blade Readers.

Our new buggies are here. Come and see them. C. C. Moberly.

John Gartner bought C. E. Hilton's residence property on the east side of North State street Tuesday. Mr. Gartner's son Arthur and family of Linneus will occupy the place.

As will be seen by their advertisement elsewhere in the BLADE, J. W. Lomax & Co. start a clean-up sale at their store today. They are offering some unusual inducements in order to close out their lines of summer merchandise.

On Big Thursday afternoon the baby show will be pulled off as usual. Ten dollars in gold to the prettiest baby living in Linn and adjoining counties. This show will be held at the Floral Hall at 5 o'clock sharp. See M. Y. Rusk for particulars.

If you want to meet all your old friends, you will attend the Brookfield fair one or more days next week. The fair begins Tuesday and lasts four days. More horses have been entered for the races than ever before, and they are good ones. Every one has a good time at the Brookfield fair, and you will want to be in on it.

The Laclede Concert Band continues to draw good crowds to their free open-air concerts in the park. A delightful program was rendered Wednesday evening and the Epworth League served ice cream and cake. The next concert will be given in the park next Sunday afternoon, when a program of sacred music will be rendered.

While doing the chores at his father's barn Wednesday of last week, Charlie Brenner, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Brenner of route one, fell from the hay-mow to the floor beneath, a distance of fifteen feet, and struck on his head, fracturing two bones in his nose and receiving other injuries. He is recovering nicely, however, and will probably be all right in few days.

The program for the Meadville Chautauqua this year is a splendid one, as will be seen from the list of speakers published in the BLADE today. It is said that more people are planning to camp than ever before, and the sale of season tickets up to this time is the best ever. The Meadville Chautauqua is growing more popular each year, and no more pleasant outing could be planned than to spend ten days on the beautiful chautauqua grounds, where there is clean entertainment and pleasure all the time.

Money Saved

by going to Gardner, the Brookfield photographer. From now on, during the fair and up to Sept. 1, I will make the lowest prices for fine work that have ever been made in Brookfield. You can save from \$1.00 to \$1.50 on a dozen. All work guaranteed; no cheap stuff used. Good chance to have your family group made. These very low prices will not last long, so get a move on you.

Saturday Baking, August 5

The W. C. T. U. will hold a Saturday baking sale Aug. 5 at the Carothers & Allen grocery store. The W. C. T. U. members will please bring in their bread, cakes, pies, etc., early in the afternoon.

Some Evening Reveries.

Henry Ward Beecher once said, "I think I am more grateful to God for mother and sisters of the substantial integrity, purity and nobility of womanhood, than for almost anything else in this world. After a long life I can say that I have not lost faith in women. The longer I live the more chivalric is my regard for them. I should look upon it as a fatal canker in my soul if I fell from my confidence in the general trustworthiness, honesty, honor and charity of womanhood. Therefore, when I hear young men, or men in middle life, or old men, cast gross aspersions on the character of women I feel as if I were in a den of hissing serpents."

Home life is the sure test of home character. Let the husband grow cross and surly, and the wife grow cross and unamiable. The children grow cross and savage as young bears. The father becomes callous, peevish, hard, kind of a two-legged brute with clothes on. The wife bristles in self defence. They develop an unnatural growth and sharpness of teeth and the house is haunted by ugliness and domestic brawls. This is not what the family circle should be. If one must be rude to any, let it be to some one he does not love—not his wife, brother or parents.

Labor is honorable, and the ignoble are those who will not work. Get you a home. Fence a field and plow it and plant it, and gather around you the comforts of home. And when you have made a character for energy and thrift, ask some young lady to share your home with you. We would say to every young lady, mark these young men who are lounging around attempting to live by their wits, or on the interest of their debts; and when they ask you to share the lot of an aimless life, pass them on, for you cannot afford to marry a man without prosperity or business habits, unless you wish to sell yourself for a mess of pottage.

The home influence is either a blessing or curse, either for good or for evil. It cannot be neutral. In either case it is mighty, commencing with our birth; going with us through life, clinging to us in death, and reaching the eternal world. The specific influences of husband and wife, of parent and child, of brother and sister, of teacher and pupil united and harmoniously blended, constitute the home influence. Like the calm, deep stream, it moves on in silent but overwhelming power. It strikes its roots deep into the human heart, and spreads its branches wide over our whole being. Like the Lily that braves the tempest and "the Alpine flower that leans its cheek on the bosom of eternal snow," it is exerted amid the wildest storms of life and breathes a softening spell in our bosom even when a heartless world is freezing up the fountains of sympathy and love.

The home should be a place where man is always on his good behavior; our kindest words, our pleasantest smiles, and our most particular favors, should be kept to exchange with our own household.

Dr. J. H. Kittredge, dentist, at Anderson house 25th and 26th of each month.

SHORT PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Brief Mention of Those Who Come and Go During the Week

W. L. Matsell was at Carrollton on business Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Dale were Carrollton visitors Sunday.

A. E. Johnston made a business trip to Linneus Wednesday.

A. E. Johnston spent Sunday with friends in Monroe City.

E. E. Toothaker made a business trip to Chillicothe Saturday.

W. B. Flowers was over from Meadville on business Monday.

Miss Elizabeth McGrew returned to her home at Chillicothe Tuesday.

Miss Locelle Bigger of Marceline is the guest of Miss Vivia Caywood.

Mrs. E. W. Pease of Forker visited Laclede relatives Tuesday.

Mrs. Duffie and little son returned to their home at Hamilton Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Allen spent Sunday with relatives in Brookfield.

Mrs. Agnes Alexander returned Saturday from a visit with relatives at Milan.

Mr. and Mrs. John Peer returned to their home at St. Joseph Thursday night.

F. F. Pratt came up from New Cambria and spent Sunday with home folk.

Miss Belle Welsh of Chariton county was shopping in Laclede Wednesday.

Mrs. Josephine Rummell visited Laclede relatives Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mrs. Etta Foreman attended the funeral of Moses Benway at Brookfield Wednesday.

Mrs. N. J. Thompson visited relatives near Meadville the latter part of the week.

Mrs. E. K. Welsh of near Forker spent Monday and Tuesday with Laclede relatives.

Mrs. S. Baker and little daughter Elizabeth spent Sunday with relatives in Brookfield.

Section Foreman W. H. Childress of Linneus was the guest of Laclede relatives Sunday.

Mrs. C. C. Cotter of Brookfield visited her son, S. W. Cotter, and family in Laclede this week.

Mrs. McAdoo and little son of Hamilton were guests of Mrs. M. F. Clay Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Louise Haight returned Tuesday from a visit with her brother George at Minneapolis, Minn.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Peer and family of route two left Wednesday for a month's visit with relatives in Ohio.

Mrs. Georgia Boomer and daughter Gladys returned Monday from a visit with relatives at Elk City, Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Avery of Chicago have spent the past week with the latter's parents, Rev. and Mrs. L. C. Powell.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Deininger and family of route two returned home Tuesday from a visit with relatives in Illinois.

Mrs. M. E. Duncan of Louisville, Ky., came in Tuesday to spend a month with her sister, Mrs. L. F. Dye, and other relatives.

S. A. Anderson of Severy, Kans., and H. L. Anderson of Brookfield spent Wednesday with Geo. W. Anderson and family and other relatives on route one.